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## **Reps. Baird and English Send Letter Supporting CTE Funding**

Representatives Brian Baird (D-WA-3) and Phillip English (R-PA-3) are distributing what is called a "Dear Colleague" letter to House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, and Education Chairman David Obey (D-WI-7) and Ranking Member James T. Walsh (R-NY-25) in support of increased funding for career technical education.

The letter says, "Funding for the Perkins Act has been inconsistent and inefficient since Fiscal Year 2002... funding for these critical programs has failed to keep pace with the increasing need to prepare our workforce for a competitive global economy." A full copy of the letter has been attached.

**Action Alert:** Reps. Baird and English are currently seeking Members of Congress to sign-on to the letter as a show of their support and approval. Please call your representatives **by the end of the business day** to encourage them to join Reps. Baird and English in their call for an increase to Perkins funding.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Domenic Giandomenico, Director of Government Relations at [Domenic@careertech.org](mailto:Domenic@careertech.org).

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